

support to engage said buffer at one end, and means to adjustably mount said engaging means on said supporting means.

- 5 In combination, a buffer consisting of a roll comprising windings of a blanket formed of a layer of steel wool embraced by material adapted to wear away, means for permanently attaching said wool and said material to each other, the windings forming at the end of the roll working faces of
10 spirally arranged layers of steel wool and material, the outer winding being solely of

the material, and means to join adjacent windings of the roll to each other, of a driven supporting shaft having a threaded 15 portion, a head for supporting said buffer threaded adjustably on said shaft, and a locknut on said shaft whereby if the wool and material wear away at one end fresh portions of the buffer may be advanced be- 20 yond the supporting shaft.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature.

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